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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

Introduced by: Avery, Stilwell

A RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Department of Transportation to name the bridge over State Road 62 spanning Stollberg Ditch approximately one mile west of the town of Chandler as the Ralph Byron "Barney" Riffle, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

Whereas, Ralph Byron "Barney" Riffle, Jr., was killed on November 10, 2006, while working on a job site on Indiana 62 near Evansville;

Whereas, Barney Riffle, Jr., was born on January 15, 1957, in Rochester to Ralph Byron Riffle, Sr., and Janet Sue Miller Riffle;

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Whereas, A lifelong resident of Rochester, Barney graduated from Rochester High School and was working toward an engineering degree at Kennedy University;

Whereas, Barney, who was employed by E & B Paving, was a member of the International Laborers Unions and taught concrete classes for the American Concrete Pavement Association;

Whereas, Active in his community, Barney was a past president of the Rochester Jaycees and assisted with the Special Olympics for many years;

Whereas, Barney was an avid NASCAR and Jeff Gordon fan and was an owner/driver on the sprint car circuit;

Whereas, Barney enjoyed life to the fullest. He was a licensed scuba instructor and diver, an avid fan of the Chicago Bears and the Purdue Boilermakers, and loved golf and woodworking;

Whereas, On February 14, 2006, Barney married his sweetheart and companion of ten years, Gayle K. Stewart; and

Whereas, It is fitting that the proper signage be placed on the bridge over State Road 62 spanning Stollberg Ditch approximately one mile west of the town of Chandler designating it as the Ralph Byron "Barney" Riffle, Jr., Memorial Bridge: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives urges the
2 Indiana Department of Transportation to name the bridge over State
3 Road 62 spanning Stollberg Ditch approximately one mile west of the
4 town of Chandler as the Ralph Byron "Barney" Riffle, Jr., Memorial
5 Bridge.

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of
8 Ralph Byron "Barney" Riffle, Jr., and the commissioner of the Indiana
9 Department of Transportation.

